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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANTS : JOACHIM BUNGER ET AL.

SERIAL NO. : 09/091,602

FILED : APRIL 19, 1999

FOR : USE OF SUGAR DERIVATIVES AS ANTIMICROBIDAL,  
ANTIMYCOTIC AND/OR ANTIVIRAL ACTIVE  
SUBSTANCES

ART UNIT : 1617

EXAMINER : R. Travers

May 1, 2002

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

SIR:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Amend claim 8 to read as follows:

--8. (Once Amended)

A method of combating bacteria, fungi and/or

viruses, said method comprising topically applying to skin, hair and/or nails an effective amount therefor of an alkylated and/or acylated monosaccharide and/or oligosaccharide and achieving an inhibition of a growth of at least one bacterium, fungus and/or virus as a result of said topically applying. --